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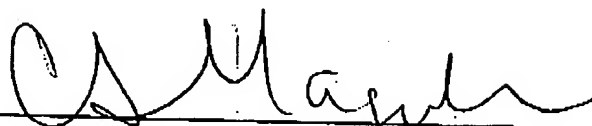
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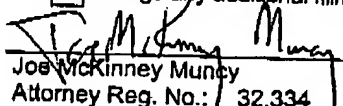
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| Applicant(s): Chin Chai ONG | | | | | |
| Invention: PILE ANCHOR HEAD FOR AN UNDERPINNING PILE AND METHOD OF PRELOADING THE SAME | | | | | |
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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed October 27, 2006, the following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This amendment includes:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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